

#33/E
Supp.
PATENT

RECEIVED
TECH CENTER 1600/2933
02 APR 15 PM 1:24

Customer Number 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 1147-0142

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of:)	
U.S. Patent No. 5,750,338)	
Mark L. Collins et al.)	Group Art Unit: 1655
Reissue Serial No.: 09/533,906)	Examiner: D. Johannsen
Reissue Application Filed: March 8, 2000)	
For: TARGET AND BACKGROUND)	
CAPTURE METHODS WITH)	
AMPLIFICATION FOR AFFINITY)	
ASSAYS)	

REISSUE LITIGATION BOX
Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Further to the Amendment submitted on March 8, 2002, the draft proposed Examiner's Amendment forwarded by facsimile on March 28, 2002, the Interview of April 2, 2002, and the Interview Summary forwarded by facsimile on April 3, 2002 (but not yet mailed), the Patent Owner requests that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

In the originally issued claims 1-40, please cancel claims 20-26 without prejudice. Please amend original claims 1, 4-7, 10-14, 16-19, 27-30, 32, 34-36, and 38-39 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A method for amplifying a target polynucleotide contained in a sample comprising the steps of:
 - (a) contacting the sample with a first support which binds to the target polynucleotide;

41

FOR "306560

FINNEGAN
HENDERSON
FARABOW
GARRETT &
DUNNER LLP

1300 I Street, NW
Washington, DC 20005
202.408.4000
Fax 202.408.4400
www.finnegan.com